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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a _____ continuation-in-part ____ continuation **XXX** divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. **09/554,345** filed on **September 18, 2000** of **Christopher A. Smith** and **Raymond Kenneth Woodey** for **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FRYING POTATO CHIPS AND RELATED FOODSTUFFS**.

The filing fee is calculated below:

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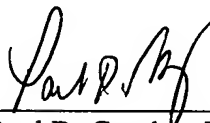
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1. _____ No fee enclosed – filing by missing parts.
2. **XXX** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.
3. **XXX** Cancel in this application original claim(s) **1-19** of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
4. **XXX** A copy of the executed oath or declaration from U.S. Application Serial No. **09/554,345** filed **September 18, 2000** is enclosed.
5. _____ A new oath or declaration, new formal drawings and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy is enclosed.

6. XXX Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: ---This is a _____ continuation, XXX division, of application serial no. 09/554,345, filed September 18, 2000.---
7. XXX The prior application is assigned of record to: Chipperry Potato Chip Factory, Inc.
8. XXX The power of attorney in the prior application is to: **Paul D. Greeley**
 a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
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9. XXX A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
10. XXX Priority of application Serial No. 09/554,345 filed on September 18, 2000 in the Unites States is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120; PCT Application No. PCT/CA98/01054 filed on November 10, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 365; and Canadian Application No. 2,220,908 filed on November 12, 1997 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
11. XXX I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application serial No. 09/554,345 as originally filed on September 18, 2000.
12. XXX PCT International Preliminary Examination Report dated December 1, 1999.
13. XXX International Search Report dated Marc 2, 1999.
14. XXX Information Disclosure Statewith and form-1449.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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